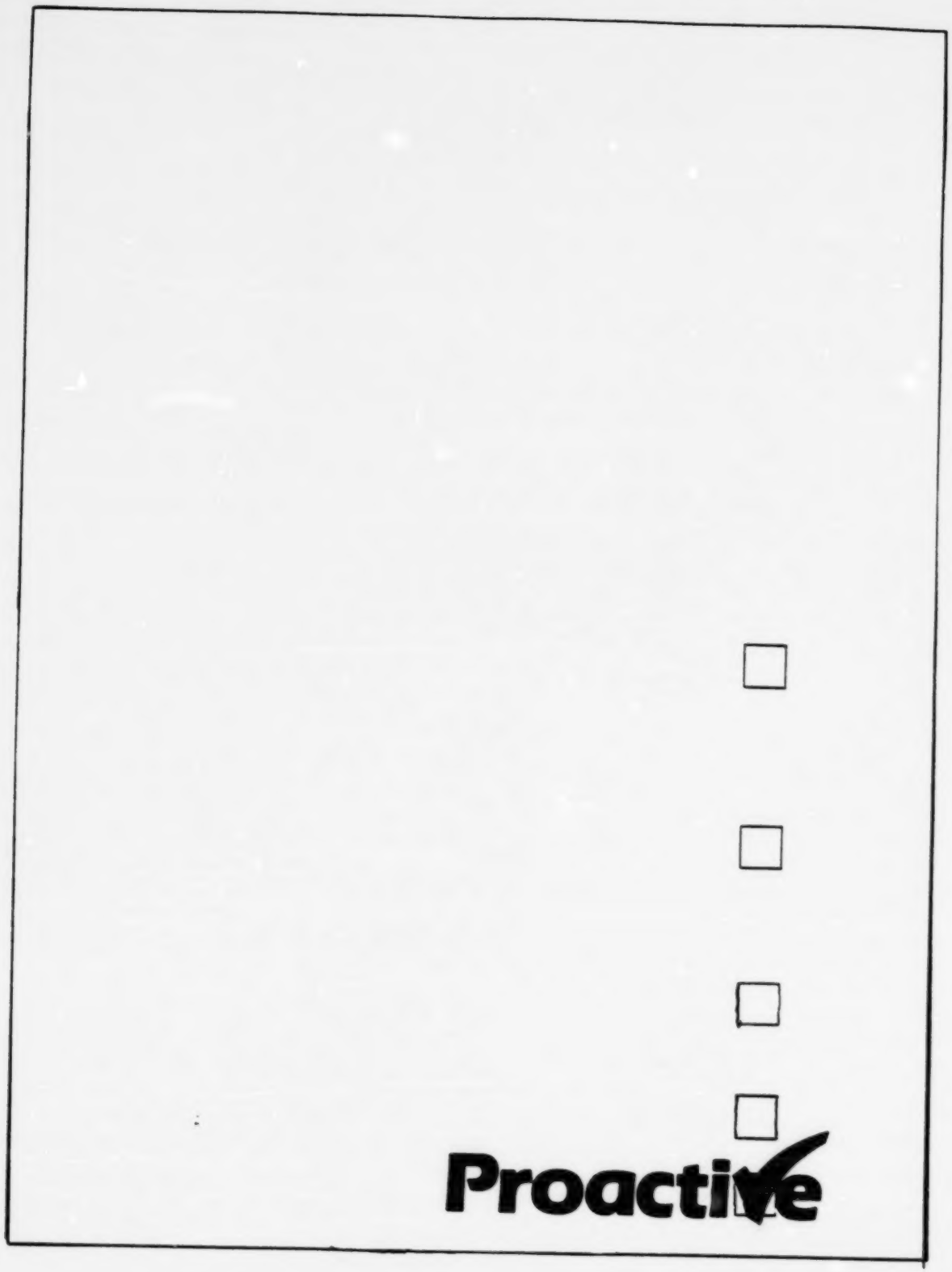
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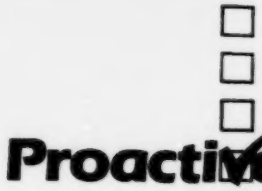

REPRODUCTIVE HEALTH ACTIVITIES: A SELECTED OVERVIEW

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This overview is based on the data presented in the "Reproductive Health Summary Report (April 1, 1986 to March 31, 1987)". Therefore, the limitations which apply to that report, also apply to this overview.

At the direction of the Maternal and Child Health Directorate, the data has been combined to allow for comparisons of service delivery during two yearly periods. For purposes of this overview, Year 1 represents a calendar year (July, 1985 - June, 1986), while Year 2 represents a fiscal year (April, 1986 - March, 1987). This has resulted in the April-June 1986 quarter being included in both years.

In order to present the data in the most meaningful way, the comparable three quarters of Year 1 and Year 2 are presented separately. For the purposes of this overview, these will be referred to as the "comparable three quarter periods". The April-June, 1986 quarter, which is common to both yearly periods has also been presented separately. It was felt that these comparisons would allow for insights into differences which have occurred in the level of reproductive health activity.

1. EDUCATION SERVICE ACTIVITY (Tables 1 & 2)

A. COMMUNITY GROUP EDUCATION

- When observing the comparable three quarter periods, it was noted that the reported number of participants increased by approximately 44% (1343). This increase was accounted for by participants in the "19 or older" age group. Conversely, the participants in the "18 or under" category decreased.

B. DIRECT SCHOOL EDUCATION

- Activity in this category was seen to exhibit an overall decrease of approximately 30% when comparing the similar three quarters. Activity decreased at all educational levels.

C. SPECIAL NEEDS EDUCATION

- During the comparable three quarter periods there was a minimal increase in activity in this area.

D. CONTINUING EDUCATION OF SERVICE PROVIDERS

- There was an approximate 30% increase in the activity in this area when comparing July 1985 - March 1986 to July 1986 - March 1987.

E. PUBLIC HEALTH NURSE INFORMATION SYSTEM

- There was an 85% increase in reported activity during the comparable three quarter periods.

F. TOTAL EDUCATION PARTICIPANTS

- The total education participants reported for Year 1 were 39,174 as compared to 51,477 in Year 2. This increase was mainly accounted for by the reported Public Health Nurse increase.

TABLE 1

EDUCATION SERVICE ACTIVITY BY YEAR
AND COMMON QUARTER

PARTICIPANTS	JULY '85 - MARCH '86	COMMON QUARTER (April - June '86)	JULY '86 - MARCH '87
Community Group Education			
18 or under	924	402	321
19 or older	912	996	2343
mixed age group	1186	347	1201
TOTAL	3022	1745	4365
Direct School Education			
elementary	1889	842	535
junior	1511	1354	2767
senior	1895	1305	992
post-secondary	922	20	37
TOTAL	6217	3521	4321
Special Needs Education	696	185	734
Continuing Education	2384	340	3099
Public Health Nurse Information System	14,150	6914	26,253
TOTAL EDUCATION PARTICIPANTS	26,469	12,705	38,772
	39,174 YEAR 1		51,477 YEAR 2

TABLE 2

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2. CONSULTATION SERVICES (Table 3)

- The number of reported consultation recipients decreased by approximately 25% (506) during the comparable three quarter periods.

3. PROMOTION SERVICES (Table 3)

- Activity in this area remained constant during the comparable three quarter periods.

4. REPRODUCTIVE HEALTH CLINICAL AND COUNSELLING SERVICES (Table 3 & 4)

A. CLINICAL AND COUNSELLING SERVICES

- During the two comparable three quarter time periods, the number of clients reported as having been seen increased by approximately 45% (7011).

- There was also a 50% (808) increase in the reported Public Health Nurse clinical and counselling activities during the same time periods.

- Overall, there was an approximate 45% increase in clinical and counselling activities during the two comparable three quarter time periods. When analyzed on a yearly basis, it was noted that Year 2 had an approximate 32% increase in activity when compared to Year 1.

B. CONTRACEPTIVE METHODS SUPPLIED

- The number of oral contraceptives reported as being supplied increased by 71% (3845) during the two comparable quarterly periods. In comparison, the number of spermicide/condoms decreased during the same time period.

- During the two three quarter periods, there was an increase of approximately 3000 contraceptive methods supplied (20%). This difference translated into a 13% increase in Year 2 when compared to Year 1.

3. IN SUMMARY

There have been increases in activity and services provided in the areas of: education services; consultation services; clinical and counselling services; as well as, contraceptive methods supplied.

TABLE 3

ACTIVITIES IN THE AREAS OF CONSULTATION, PROMOTION, CLINICAL AND COUNSELLING BY YEAR AND COMMON QUARTER

CLIENTS	JULY '85 - MARCH '86	COMMON QUARTER (April - June '86)	JULY '86 - MARCH '87
Consultation Recipients	2032	870	1526
Promotional Activities	219	108	213
Total New Patients	3404	1214	3678
Clients Seen	15,566	6527	22,577
P. H. N. Clinical and Counselling	1590	498	2398
TOTAL CLINICAL and COUNSELLING	17,156	7025	24,975

24,181 YEAR 1

32,000 YEAR 2

TABLE 4

CONTRACEPTIVE METHODS BY YEAR AND COMMON QUARTER

METHOD	JULY '85 - MARCH '86	COMMON QUARTER (April - June '86)	JULY '86 - MARCH '87
Oral Contraceptives	5417	3116	9262
Spermicide/Condom	9366	4616	8452
I. U. D.'s	195	88	239
Diaphragms	46	24	67
TOTAL	15,024	7844	18,020

22,868 YEAR 1

25,864 YEAR 2